

**MINUTES OF HISTORICAL ADVISORY BOARD
REGULAR MEETING OF THURSDAY, JANUARY 6, 2005
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL
2263 SANTA CLARA AVENUE – 7:00 PM**

Vice Chair McPherson called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Secretary Altschuler called the roll.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Board Members McPherson, Anderson, Lynch, & Tilos

MEMBERS ABSENT: Board member Miller arrived at 7:20 p.m.

STAFF PRESENT: Secretary Altschuler, Elizabeth Johnson, Development Services Department, Recording Secretary Debbie Gremminger.

AGENDA CHANGES AND DISCUSSIONS:

Staff is requesting Item #2 be continued to a future meeting.

Approval of minutes and Election of Officers will move to the end of the Agenda when full Board is present.

MINUTES:

Moved to the end of the Agenda. (see Agenda Changes and Discussions).

ELECTION OF OFFICERS:

Moved to the end of the Agenda (see Agenda Changes and Discussions).

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS: (Discussion only)
None.

ACTION ITEMS: (Discussion/Action)

1. Adoption of 2005 Historical Advisory Board Calendar.

M/S to adopt the 2005 Historical Advisory Board Calendar. Anderson/Lynch 4-0-1..

Ayes: 4; Noes: 0; Absent: 1 (Miller); Motion carries.

ACTION ITEMS: (Discussion/Action)

2. Certificate of Approval CA04-0013– Helena Liang – 1104 Oak Street. The applicant requests a Certificate of Approval for an unauthorized demolition of a one-story residential structure built prior to 1942. A two-story residence in the same style was approved by Design

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Review (DR04-0003). The site is located within the R-5, General Residence District. (continued from 9-9-04) Applicant & staff request a continuance to future meeting.

M/S (Anderson/Tilos) to continue this item to a future meeting. 4-0-1.

Ayes: 4; Noes: 0; Absent: 1 (Miller); Motion carries.

Boardmember Miller arrived.

3. Alameda Point Update. Presentation of the ongoing planning process for Alameda Point.

Elizabeth Johnson, Development Services Department, summarized the information provided in the staff report. Ms. Johnson indicated that there had been two community workshops and that there will be three more. Staff will give the Board regular up-dates of the planning process after each Community Workshop. The next workshop will be held on March 3, 2005 which will be hosted by the Planning Board. Staff would also like the Board to consider co-hosting one of the remaining Community Workshops with the Alameda Point Advisory Committee.

Melissa Gaudreau and Chris VerPlanck from Page and Turnbull gave a presentation giving a brief history of the site, and outlined the Historical District at NAS. Mr. Plank stated that the buildings and structures within Alameda Point reflect three distinct periods of development: Pre-war, War and Post-war. Most of the Pre-war buildings were constructed during 1940-1941 of reinforced concrete in a styling typical of commercial and industrial design from the 1930's. This style is known as "Moderne".

A comprehensive inventory of pre-1946 buildings and structures was done in 1992 by S.B. Woodbridge, which focused on determining whether any buildings at Alameda Point qualified for listing in the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP). The report concluded that while no individual building qualified for listing in the NRHP, an area in the Civic Core sub-area appeared to qualify for listing as a historic district. The identified area includes 87 buildings and structures that contribute to the area's historic significance, 35 non-contributing major buildings and many temporary or minor buildings, which do not contribute to the Historical District.

Vice-Chair McPherson opened the floor for public comment.

Birgitt Evans, AAPS, stated that AAPS is very interested in the 86 buildings. She encourages the Board to become involved in the planning process. She is also concerned why the Tower Bldg was not included in the 86 buildings.

Richard Rutter, 2329 Santa Clara Ave., informed the Board that he once lived on the base and is also surprised that the Tower Bldg. is not included. He felt that Bldg. 400 was also worth taking another look at. He wants the Board to be cautious when approving buildings for demolition.

Vice-Chair McPherson closed public comment.

Elizabeth Johnson stated that at the time that the inventory was done, there was an addition to the Control Tower that has since been removed.

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Ms. Altschuler asked the Board if they would be interested in hosting a community workshop? There will be more opportunities in the future for the Board to give their comments. This will be a standing agenda item, so staff can give the Board updates and also allow the public to have access to the Board if they have any questions. The next community workshop is scheduled for March 3, 2005. Staff will reschedule the Regular March meeting so the Board may attend the workshop.

Staff will provide the Board with a copy of the Historical Architectural Resources Inventory for NAS, and the Guide to Preserving the Character of the Naval Air Station Alameda Historic District.

MINUTES

Minutes of the Special Meeting of October 28, 2004. (continued from 12-02-04).
M/S (Tilos/Anderson) to approve minutes as corrected; 3-0-2.

Ayes: 3; Noes: 0; Absent: 2 (Lynch, Miller); Motion carries.

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of December 2, 2004.
M/S (Tilos/Miller) to approve minutes as corrected; 3-0-2.

Ayes: 3; Noes: 0; Abstain: 2 (Anderson, Lynch); Motion carries

ELECTION OF OFFICERS:

M/S (Lynch/Anderson) to nominate Vice-Chair McPherson as Chair. 5-0-0.

Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0.; Motion carries.

M/S (Lynch/Miller) to nominate Boardmember Anderson as Vice-Chair. 5-0-0.

Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0.; Motion carries.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:

Rosemary McNally asked why Item 2, 1104 Oak was continued. She also thanked the Board and Staff for all of their hard work on this item. Ms. Altschuler advised that staff was continuing to work with property owner to resolve issues.

Boardmember Tilos will be on vacation until March 17, 2005.

STAFF COMMUNICATION:

Ms. Altschuler informed the Board that the Planning & Building Director has resigned. Staff is not certain when that position will be filled but will update the Board as needed. Ms. Altschuler

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also stated that she would be training another member of staff to take over her position as Secretary.

ADJOURNMENT:

Meeting adjourned at 9:20 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Judith Altschuler, Secretary
Historical Advisory Board

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